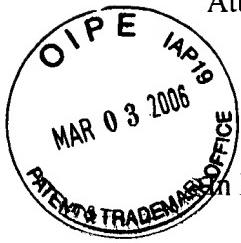


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2005, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. A Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith.

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